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VISITS FAMED BATTLE GROUND

Mrs. Rowe Writes to The
Press About Antietam.

Dear Editor:

On October 5th we visited the battlefield of Antietam, where on September 16 and 17, 1862, took place the bloodiest battle of the Civil War.

The battlefield is around the little town of Sharpsburg and has been bought by the U. S. Government and preserved as a national cemetery.

Passing along the Hagerstown pike we came to iron markers showing the places where the Union army lay encamped. Entering Mansfield avenue, we rode along past the markers of Meade's army in the West woods and opposite Lee's Confederate forces in the North woods. A fine monument erected to General Mansfield, who fell the morning of September 17, is on this avenue.

Continuing along we came to the Cornfield avenue where very heavy fighting took place. Many small monuments have been erected along here. A pathetic reminder showed three muskets fastened together with an iron kettle suspended from them. A little plate nearby told us that a "hot time" took place there. At the junction of the pike and Stark avenue are fine state monuments of New Jersey, Indiana and Massachusetts, just back of which is the "bloody cornfield," where the green corn was mowed down by the bullets. Passing along the pike we came to the little Dunkard church where the hardest fighting took place and which was used as a hospital. The building is full of shells and bullets. Opposite this is a monument put up by Maryland to her heroes at a cost of \$12,000. From the church we turned down Confederate avenue, where the main army of the Confederates lay. Near this is the Philadelphia State Park of ten acres, in the center of which is a fine monument seven feet high, costing \$16,000. Here and there may be seen an inverted cannon resting in a granite base. These mark the place where a Confederate general fell. Farther on we drove through "Bloody Lane" and the "Sunken Road," both of which played very important parts in the battle. They are from three to six feet lower than the fields on either side and were used as a natural breastworks by the Confederates, who were only driven off after fearful loss of life. Farther on we passed along Rodman avenue to Burnside Bridge, which spans the Antietam creek. On the morning of September 17 General Robt. Toombs, C. S. A., defended the bridge and was forced back under a steady fire from Burnside's men, who poured a deadly fire from 9 a. m. to 1 p. m., when the bridge was carried. It is about twenty feet wide, so one can imagine how the bodies of the brave men were piled upon it, and there is no exaggeration in saying "the river ran blood." To the right of the bridge and up a hill is a monument to Wm. McKinley, who was a sergeant of the 23rd Ohio Volunteers and in the Commissary Department. He carried hot coffee and food to every man in the regiment. It was erected by Ohio at a cost of \$12,000. Beyond this we passed Sherrick avenue, which skirts the 40-acre cornfield. The stone fence used as a Confederate breastworks is still standing. From there we drove to Sharpsburg. This is a very old town. The house used by Lee as his headquarters may still be seen. Many houses have shells still sticking in them.

The U. S. Government has made out of this battlefield a beautiful resting place for her brave men who gave their lives that the Union might be preserved.

ADA CLARKE ROWE.

HETCH HETCHY PETITION.

The petition from the people of Washington Township asking the United States Senate to pass the Hetch Hetchy bill was forwarded to Senator Perkins Thursday. The petition was very freely signed considering the fact that it was in circulation practically for but one day. Niles contributed the largest number of signers, with Irvington next and Alvarado a good third. Centerville and Decoto also signed up well. Fred Wiegman, Jr., T. D. Witherly and Geo. Joseph carried off the honors for getting the greatest number of signatures. Nearly four hundred names were signed and the number could easily have been doubled had there been more time.

COUNTRY CLUB MEETING

The next meeting of the Country Club of Washington Township will be held at the home of Mrs. J. A. Bunting on December 2. Mrs. H. R. Hunt acting as hostess for the day. A board meeting is called for December 1, at the home of Mrs. Mary Allen.

Water District Election Called For Dec. 30

Board of Supervisors Grants the Request of Our People. Mott Claims City Has Higher Right to Our Water Supply

The people of Washington Township have won a notable victory, thanks to the steadfastness of the County Board of Supervisors, and particularly Supervisors Murphy, Foss and Bridge, whose votes on two different occasions have clinched the victory. The people of Washington Township could not have had a more efficient representative even had they been represented by a member on the Board from their own midst. Supervisor Murphy has not only been steadfast in the face of strong corporate opposition, but he has shown an alertness and ability which has proved a valuable factor for his constituents, and he deserves the heartiest commendation and support from them as a faithful and upright official. Nor should our people forget the part played by Supervisor Fred W. Foss, the independent and square acting Supervisor from Berkeley, and also the timely and whole-hearted support rendered by Supervisor W. Bridge of Fruitvale. They have made it possible for Supervisor Murphy to put through the petition and the calling of the election, and both deserve the warmest praise from the people of Washington Township. All three have faced a difficult situation honestly and bravely, and all honor is due them for the good work they have done.

The committee which has handled the matter up to this time deserves the highest praise and the gratitude of our people for the untiring zeal and devotion to a just and righteous

cause. They have shown the greatest patience and determination and have acted most wisely.

So far as the Press is concerned, we are fully recompensed in the progress made and in the splendid civic spirit which has grown out of the struggle. We realize that a big beginning has been made and something worth while accomplished. We hope and believe it has laid the foundation for a more united and patriotic effort for the real advancement of the township. We believe there has been about the best team work done on this question that could be done, and we believe it augurs well for the future.

The long struggle has been trying and wearisome at times, but the success that has come to the movement so far should spur all our people to see that it has a final successful ending.

We must not rest on what has been accomplished, but we must all see to it that the district is incorporated at the election on December 30. There is much work yet to be done and the active co-operation of every citizen, male and female, in the district is needed for the next four weeks. The task has been well done up to date. Let us all see that it is properly finished.

The success of the Alameda County Water District is now in the hands of the people of the district themselves. We have every faith in them, but they must be active and alert, and see to it that the question is fully understood by all.

MAYOR ANGRY IN WATER MATTER

Threatens Mandamus Be-
Cause of Supervisors
Stand on Election
Question.

Threatening immediate mandamus proceedings to call the proposed metropolitan water district, designed to furnish an adequate water supply for the east bay cities, Mayor Frank K. Mott of Oakland charged the board of supervisors last Monday with betrayal of the cities' interests and declared that they "would not stand for it."

The charge came in a stormy session held on the matter of calling the election for the Alameda county district, to be held for the protection of Washington Township. This was set for December 30. Mott asked that the city district project be called at the same time. When this was refused the mayor, angered, launched a bitter denunciation on the board and declared legal action would be taken at once.

Mott denounced the opponents of the metropolitan district as "irresponsible Socialists," declared that the city's patience had been worn out by the case and that a fight would be started at once. A recess was ordered until 3 o'clock, when the election details will be settled.

Urging that, if the election for the proposed Alameda county water district was called, the proposed Metropolitan district election be called at the same time, Mayor Frank K. Mott of Oakland appeared before the board.

"If this is not done it may imperil the other district," he declared. "The Metropolitan district petition came in about six months ago. We have been patient and the thing has been referred here and there. I am not alone in this matter. The water supply of this and the east bay cities is seriously menaced."

"If this action had been called in time we would have been at work by now. If anything happens now you are to blame."

"There is talk of consolidating this election with the Infirmary matter. This will endanger your infirmary. Make that the issue of the day and we will all help you, because we

know it is needed. Don't endanger this, in all events."

"I do not know what complications may arise, and I cannot see why the two water districts cannot be voted together. It will cost a little extra, but it's worth it. This matter is important; we are in peril. It is mandatory on you to call this election. You should have before this."

Might Mandamus.
"You don't want the citizens to mandamus you. It is likely to come to that, if you do not act. We do not want to, but it is a vital matter. We have worked hard; we have shouldered a big expense, and you have not treated the matter fairly. Put it before the people to decide."

"I am confident that our people will not tolerate much more delay. I have defended the board. If you do not call our election the people will construe it as a betrayal of their interests and economy will not be considered an excuse. You ought to call these together. I appeal to you to do so."

"If you do not, I am afraid it will cause bitterness and bring down condemnation on the board."

Urges Action.
"I don't know what the complications in this matter are—lawyers can find plenty—but certainly I should say act."

"My district has made no protest on this matter," said Murphy. "It is principally a matter of Oakland's people. The Alameda district should be passed. It does not interfere with the Metropolitan district. I have no reason to consider it, but do urge the calling of the Alameda district."

"To mass these issues would mean three times the expense, for it would mean three sets of elections everywhere but in Centerville."

"I think the Alameda district will protect the Metropolitan district," said Foss. "I cannot see that it would jeopardize the Oakland plans."

"The expense of the Alameda district is nominal, and will protect this county from San Francisco."

Against Elements.
"We have been gambling against the elements, but I cannot see where a delay will aid us. It seems to me that to protect the outside people first is fair. If we delay the other way we are playing into the hands of the Spring Valley."

"Why don't you want to call the Metropolitan district election on the same date?" asked Mott.

"For economy," said Foss. "You will shut off the Metropolitan supply," said Mott.

"Haven't these people in the Alameda district any rights?" asked Murphy.

"You are trying to betray the cities, and we won't stand for it," shouted Mott. "We will bring mandamus!"

"We wish you would," said Bridge. "All the improvement clubs are protesting it," said Bridge.

"Only a few irresponsible Socialists!" shouted Mott.

Have Rights, Too.
"Well," said Bridge, "they have rights, too. We are representing all the people, not just those who come in here to demand things."

"I think we have been fair," said Foss. "We have promised to call the Metropolitan district in 90 days, with the infirmary election. We jeopardize private interests; that's all. I do not know about that, though."

"The city has the higher right to this water!" said Mott.

"That is not true," said Joseph Shinn, of Niles. "You seek to cripple agriculture. This is our water, and we want it."

Law Mandatory.
"The law is mandatory. You must call the Alameda district election. There is no fight between the two districts. We are not seeking any advantage; only our rights."

Supervisor Murphy then offered a resolution setting the date of the Alameda district election for December 30, 1913.

The resolution was carried unanimously, Mullins, in voting, explained that at the same time, the board should have acted on the Metropolitan district.

Should Have Hastened.
"I feel that we should have hastened this, in duty to our people," said Mullins.

"I would not have voted yes had I thought it would jeopardize the cities," said Bridge.

Kelly stated that expense should not be considered. "We are liable to a \$10,000 fine for frivolous appeal," said Kelly. "In the appeal taken in the Spring Valley tax refund. Now I move that we call the Metropolitan district election on December 30."

"You have voted yes on the other proposition," said Murphy.

"Certainly," answered Kelly. "What is the difference?"

"Don't you think the country district is entitled to protection first?" asked Murphy.

"They are protected now," said Kelly, "by their riparian rights suit. The bay cities are in danger. We represent them. I don't see any objection to protecting them now, and besides, we must not jeopardize the infirmary bonds."

"I cannot see where the jeopardy is," said Murphy. "What does the Tax Association say?"

"I don't care," said Kelly. "Mr. Requa is liable to mistake. Let us act without dictation from them or him."

"For every man that has urged this district," said Bridge, "a dozen have opposed it."

Mott Leaves Meeting.
When the vote was confirmed Mott left the meeting.

Funeral of Father Governo

The funeral of Father Governo, who for the past twenty-seven years has been the pastor of the Centerville parish was held last Tuesday. It was one of the most largely attended funerals ever held in the township. In the church which he had founded and built and whose pastor he had been for a generation, High Mass was celebrated by Father Souza assisted by Father Cummings as Deacon, Father Lally as Sub Deacon and Father Mulligan as Master of Ceremonies. The choir directed by the Reverend Father Webster at the organ sang the Requiem Mass in a most impressive manner. Rev. Father Azevedo of Sacramento preached the funeral oration in Portuguese and Right Reverend Hanna, Auxiliary Bishop of San Francisco remembered in English the holy life, works and example of Rev. Father Governo.

The church was packed by friends and admirers of the deceased pastor who had come from all parts of the state to pay their last tribute of gratitude and esteem to the man of God whom they all loved so well. More than sixty priests from all parts of the Diocese were in attendance and escorted the remains to the Catholic cemetery at Centerville, where interment took place.

Father Governo was a native of the district of Santarem, Portugal and was born Nov. 13, 1851. He spent his student days at All Hallows in Ireland. He came to California thirty-four years ago and was sent by Archbishop Alemany as a missionary to the Indians of Lake County. He went to the various missions of the

SHOCKING DEATH OF ALVIN LOCKLIN

Superintendent of Gravel
Plant Run Over by Engine
and Killed.

Alvin Locklin, superintendent of the California Building Material Company's gravel plant at Niles was struck by a switch engine at the plant shortly before noon yesterday and killed. Locklin was walking close beside the track at the time and was struck by the engine which was backing out. He was thrown across the rail, the engine passing over his body severing both legs and an arm and instantly killing him. Locklin evidently did not hear the engine at all and the engineer was not aware of the accident until informed later.

Locklin has been a very efficient superintendent for his company and well liked. He was 37 years of age and a native of Dutch Flat, Placer County and for years made his home in Nevada City.

His remains will be taken to Nevada City and the funeral will be under the auspices of the Odd Fellows of which he was a member.

Deceased is survived by his aged mother, Mrs. Alice Locklin, to whom he was a most devoted son. A brother, Marshal Locklin of Cement, also survives him.

AUCTION SALE AT OSGOOD PLACE.

On account of retiring from the farming business T. D. Witherly will dispose of a lot of farming implements and rigs and a number of horses at a sale to be conducted by Auctioneer W. Walton on Saturday, December 6. Quite a list of articles are to be sold.

SHOULD BE CAREFUL ABOUT BOUNDARIES.

Maps will be placed in the various towns of the proposed Alameda County Water District within the next few days showing the proposed boundary lines. This will be done so that voters may determine whether they are within the district or not. We suggest that the voters in the precincts outside of Centerville precinct study the boundary lines so that no mistake will occur.

Death of Jessie Hickok

Miss Jessie Hickok, sister of Mrs. Rohlfing formerly of Niles, died at St. Anthony's hospital after an illness of only a few days. The remains will be sent to Everett, Washington on today for interment.

Mr. and Mrs. Rohlfing came down from Spring Garden, on the Western Pacific, on Friday to attend to the affairs of the young girl.

diocese and at the end of two years was made procurator of the seminary at Mission San Jose. The students of that time have a pleasant recollection of his administration. Later he was appointed assistant pastor at Mission San Jose and in 1886 he built the Centerville church, became its first pastor and remained there continuously ever since. Father Governo was called by the different Portuguese societies to all parts of the State to take part in celebrations of the Holy Ghost and St. Isabelle societies. Father Governo was an eloquent speaker and his strong and lovable character exercised a great influence over his people.

For years he has been a sufferer from diabetes and on the 7th of November was taken to Providence hospital in Oakland where he peacefully passed away on November 20. During his last few days he was assisted by Father Cruz, assistant of the San Leandro church and by Father Souza.

Father Governo died a poor man, leaving perhaps scarcely enough to cover expenses of his burial, so generous and unselfish was his manner of living and so literally did he follow in the footsteps of his Saviour.

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FATHER GOVERNO

The death of Father Governo of Centerville reminds us that even in our own time and in our own midst we may have the splendid characters that the race has produced all along the centuries. Father Governo was a sincere man, a devout Christian, and a genuine priest in the true sense of the word. He was simple in his tastes, earnest and plain-spoken, gentle as a child. His quiet, unassuming, genial nature won him the friendship of all classes. His many acts of charity, performed in secret and without ado, won for him their love. His life was a life of real service. Its very genuineness and simplicity will ever be an inspiration to those who knew him. Father Governo was a good man and a faithful servant of God.

Work on Dam Is Lessened

Last week the Spring Valley Water Company greatly reduced its force of men on the Calaveras Dam. It is understood that the company will content itself with the building of the tunnel which is to be the outlet for the big dam. The auto trucks which have been hauling cement from Milpitas during the summer have been taken to Oakland.

Spring Valley Measuring Wells of the Township

The Spring Valley Water Co., has put a man in the field making measurements of the water level in the township. Mr. Maloney of is the Spring Valley representative. The representative of the Water Committee for the people of the township is Mr. D. Stoner. The United States government also has a man in the field, a Mr. Clark of Palo Alto. Mr. Clark has been in the field for the past year. The property owners of the township should afford Mr. Stoner every opportunity to measure their wells as the data secured by him will be very useful in the future.

Peoples Water Company Springs New Claim

At the recent hearing before the Board of Supervisors the Peoples Water Company sprung a new claim as to the source of its Alvarado water supply. It claimed that it is fed by the underground sources from the San Jose section. It will be up to the people of our township to disprove this contention which we believe will easily be done if the well owners of the Newark and Alvarado districts will carefully watch their wells during the present winter. The relation between the water level of the belt lying between Newark and Alvarado and the flow of water in Alameda Creek will have to be carefully watched.

Last winter's flood waters in the creek brought about a general rise in the wells about Newark which was carefully noted by quite a number of well owners. The present winter ought to afford more evidence which should be promptly noted and carefully measured and brought to the attention of the Committee.

WHIST TOURNAMENT IN CENTERVILLE

There will be a grand whist tournament in the Masonic Hall in Centerville Saturday evening, December 6, at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited. Admission including refreshments, 50 cents.

Has Stood by the People

In Speaking of the action of the Board of Supervisors in finally calling the election of the Alameda County Water District and giving that election the right of way Supervisor D. J. Murphy, who was the champion of the people of the lower end of Alameda County and particularly of the people of Washington Township, said:

"I am very glad that everything has been arranged so satisfactorily for the people of my district, and that there is now nothing that can interfere with the Alameda County Water District. Threats of mandamus suits will avail nothing, and the rights of the people of my district can not be taken away from them. The election for the Metropolitan Water District will be called in due time, but the rights of the people of the lower end of Washington Township in particular have now been protected so that no harm can come to them.

"In doing this I have redeemed in full every promise that I made to this district before I was elected. It may be remembered that just before election eight questions were propounded to me, and that I answered every one of those eight questions. The essence of all was whether I would stand by the people or the water companies. I said at that time that I would stand by the people. I have now fulfilled the promise that I made at that time. I have had occasion in the last few weeks to show by my vote on the Board of Supervisors whether I stood by the people or water corporations. I have stood by the people as I shall always do.

"It was no easy task for the influence was all within the big cities. There was great pressure brought to bear in this case and it had to be handled in a careful manner. There were times when it looked almost hopeless, but I feel now that the people of my district have been protected and are in a position to protect themselves forever, and I also feel that I have fulfilled every pledge that I made before my election."

FORMER NILES PEOPLE

The Misses Blanche and Hazel Sullivan entertained the C. E. of the Hayward Congregational church at their Hayward home on Saturday night of last week. Twenty-two were present and after an evening of music and games delicious refreshments were served by the young hostesses.

Mr. and Mrs. G. F. Sullivan entertained at a dinner on Sunday in their beautiful Hayward home in honor of their 17th wedding anniversary. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Nichols and Mr. and Mrs. T. Zender of Niles, Dr. and Mrs. McLaughlin of Alameda and a number of Hayward people.

Decoto

Born—In Decoto, November 19, to the wife of Manuel Correa, a daughter.

V. G. Higgins of the Victor Incubator Company is attending the Oakland Poultry Show this week, where he has an exhibit of the Victor incubator and brooder. The Victor took first prize at the State Fair at Sacramento this year and there is every indication that it will soon spring into prominence as one of the leading productions in its line on the coast.

George Friend of the Geo. Friend Co. of Berkeley was in Decoto on Wednesday looking over the Spring properties in which he is interested. Mr. Friend is figuring on the erection of a number of cottages in Decoto. It is hoped that his plans will materialize, as there is great need of more houses here and they should be easily disposed of.

Quite a number of lots were sold during the past week by Mr. Johnson representing the Geo. Friend Co. Most of the lots were bought by residents of the immediate neighborhood, and will undoubtedly have houses erected upon them in the near future.

Roadmaster Fred Meyer is graveling the street running in front of the school.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Jackson and daughters Marjorie and Mary spent the Thanksgiving vacation with relatives in Walnut Creek.

The dance given at Silvas hall by the young men was one of the most successful ever given. A good attendance and a good time was enjoyed.

Centerville

The Sweet Sixteen Club held its regular meeting on Thursday of last week with Mrs. Emerson. The first prize was won by Mrs. Mathiesen, the guest prize by Mrs. Hawley and for slams, Mrs. Jacobus. The club limits itself to two articles in the way of refreshments. Mrs. Emerson as hostess served coffee and doughnuts. The next meeting will follow in two weeks with Mrs. Hatch.

The Bank of Centerville has just completed the installation of a Noller vault door weighing three and a half tons. The door is equipped with a time lock. Steel cladding has also been placed around the outside of the vault. The changes all serve to greatly strengthen the security of the vault.



WARNING

The Undersigned hereby notify the public that they will not allow hunting or shooting on their property or along Alameda Creek adjoining their premises. Anyone trespassing on our property will be prosecuted to the full extent of the law. California Nursery Co., Inc. J. M. Noya. B. C. Mickle. E. H. Stevenson. Spring Valley Water Co. G. L. Lowrie. Fred Lowrie. J. C. Shinn.

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The device appeals to the sense of feeling and sight as well as the hearing. It was installed by M. W. Breuss, representing the Cook Railway Signal Co., of Denver, and will be used for demonstration purposes. It is now in use on a number of eastern railroads.

Trying to Prevent Purchase of Highway Bonds

Supervisor Joe Kelly who voted against fixing the boundaries of our water district, now threatens to resort to the courts to prevent the Board from purchasing the State Highway bonds. Kelly will be a candidate for reelection next year and has become the "great objector" of the Board. It is a queer role for Joe who while in the majority a few years ago, spent the county's money with a recklessness and prodigality of a veritable drunken sailor. Joe's new role ill becomes his past unsavory record.

ASSESSMENT NOTICE.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at a meeting of the Board of Directors held on the 25th day of October, 1913, an assessment of Two and 50-100 (2.50) Dollars per share was levied upon the Capital Stock of the corporation, payable immediately to J. C. WHITTINGTON, the Secretary of said corporation, at the office thereof, at Room 605 Alaska Commercial Building, situated at the northeast corner of California and Sansome streets, in the City and County of San Francisco, State of California.

Any stock upon which this assessment shall remain unpaid on the 1st day of December, 1913, will be delinquent and advertised for sale at public auction, and unless payment is made before will be sold on the 17th day of December, 1913, to pay the delinquent assessment, together with the costs of advertising and expenses of sale.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS.
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Niles Notes

There was no meeting of Trinity Guild last Wednesday on account of holiday week.

Harrison Snyder came up from San Francisco to spend Thanksgiving with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Hudson had their daughter's, Mrs. Button, Mrs. Barnicott and Mrs. Newman with them for the week end.

Mrs. Baldwin had a family dinner on Thursday. Mrs. Dillard and baby daughter of Fruitvale being here for the most of the week.

Mrs. Clara Wilson visited for several days this week with friends in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. Burchell and the Misses Sharpe came from Oakland to take Thanksgiving dinner at Belvoir.

Mr. and Mrs. Bart Thane are down from Jeneau, Alaska on their winter trip visiting among their many relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. LeBare came from San Jose to take Thanksgiving dinner with Mr. and Mrs. John Tyson. Mrs. LeBare was formerly Miss Olive Tyson.

Mrs. E. B. Tyson and Mr. and Mrs. Elvin Meyer were guests of Miss Amelia Meyer on Thanksgiving day.

Mrs. Olive Bonner always gathers her children and grandchildren about her on Thanksgiving day. Their family circle includes the Robert and Ira Bonner and W. H. Tyson families of Niles and Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Bonner of San Francisco.

Miss Hazel Abernathy of Stockton came to Niles on Wednesday evening to take Thanksgiving dinner with her mother at Belvoir.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Hatch had as guests for Thanksgiving dinner, Mrs. Dyer of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Frank McDonald of San Francisco, Mr. and Mrs. Witherly, June and Floyd Witherly of Irvington.

Mrs. Mayhew's guests on Thursday were, Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Cutler of San Jose, Mrs. W. R. Parsons of Santa Clara, Mr. and Mrs. Will Cobb of San Francisco, Miss Alma Forker of Bakersfield, Miss Atta Shannon of Berkeley, Mrs. Mrs. Chittenden, Mrs. Wilson and Mrs. Schofield of Belvoir.

The Ladies Guild will hold its annual Aazaar on Thursday afternoon and evening, Dec. 4th. A generous attendance is hoped for. A cafeteria supper will be served at six o'clock and there will be a program of music during the evening while many attractive articles will be on sale at the tables presided over by the Guild members.

A fine soaking rain on Wednesday night has put all the farmers in good humor.

Rev. and Mrs. Wilbur expect to leave Niles in the course of a few weeks. Mr. Wilbur will preach his last sermon on Sunday night.

The Bridge Club met last Thursday with Mrs. B. L. Tyson. All the members were present to enjoy a pleasant social afternoon together. Mrs. Overacker and and Miss DeCora made highest scores at the game and a merry half hour over the teacups followed before adjournment. The next meeting will follow on the second Tuesday in December with Mrs. Hatch.

Mr. and Mrs. A. I. Simpson spent Thanksgiving with Mrs. E. Christie, Mr. Simpson's sister in Oakland.

Mr. and Mrs. George Faber have been guests of Mrs. Faber's grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Youngman over the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Dillard and little daughter Dorothy of Oakland and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Kientz and little son Donald of Stockton were guests over the Thanksgiving holidays.

Miss Gladys Catterlin was a visitor in Niles this week being the guest of Miss Florence Sharpe at the Belvoir and Mrs. George Faber at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Youngman.

Dr. A. Sontheimer of Oakland was a guest in the Duffey home over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Higley were the

host and hostess at a delightful reunion of the En Jove club on Sunday evening in their home. An evening of social converse was enjoyed and dainty refreshments were served by the hostess. Those present were the Misses Sharpe and Catterlin, Mr. and Mrs. G. K. Faber, Mr. and Mrs. S. O. Higley, Messrs. L. J. Duffey and A. R. Sontheimer.

A happy family gathering at the Hudson home was held on Thanksgiving when all the members of the family were present except Mr. and Mrs. Chester Hatch and small son of Alaska.

Miss Christine Andrade has become a member of the Register's working staff.

Pete Whitfield spent a part of the week in the City.

Mrs. Lynch has been the guest of her sister at Coyote this week.

The children of the Congregational Sunday school were entertained at a party in the church Saturday afternoon and evening. A very happy day was spent by both the children and their elders.

A happy Thanksgiving dinner and family gathering was enjoyed at the Dassel home Thursday. While the family were gathering about the table a telegraphic greeting from Marston Campbell and family of Honolulu was received containing the one expression "Aloha" which in the native land carries a wealth of meaning. Those to enjoy the good things at dinner were Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Roche, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gassoway, Miss Mary Campbell, Miss Catherine Dassel, H. Roche, Jr., of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. Smithers of Ripon, Mrs. Zummalt of Oakland, Mr. and Mrs. R. F. Morgan, Mr. and Mrs. Dassel and Marston Dassel of Niles. They were joined in the evening by the E. A. Ellsworth family.

DEATH OF AN

ALVARADO LADY

Late Tuesday night Mrs. Dora Joyce died after an illness of several years. Deceased had been a resident of Alvarado for nearly half a century. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon from her late residence in Alvarado with interment in Mt. Eden cemetery. Deceased is survived by a husband, John A. Joyce, and children Mrs. H. H. Lampher, Mrs. E. M. Winegar, Mrs. E. A. Richmond Jr., Fred Joyce and John Scribner.

In the Superior court of the State of California, in and for the County of Alameda.

In the matter of the estate of }
 Frank S. Secada, }
 Deceased.

No. 17444, Dept. No. 4
 NOTICE OF ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF PERSONAL PROPERTY.

Notice is hereby given, That, pursuant to an order of the above court made and entered on the 29th day of July, 1913, in the above entitled proceedings, the undersigned, administrator of said estate, will sell at private sale, commencing at 10 o'clock A. M. on the 8th day of December, 1913, and ending on the 27th day of December, 1913, to the highest bidder for cash, bids to be received at the office of B. C. Mickle, Esq., at Centerville, County of Alameda, State of California, the following described personal property, to-wit: All that certain stock of goods, wares and merchandise contained in that certain store building formerly occupied by said decedent as a bicycle sales and repair shop, situate in the town of Centerville, County of Alameda, State of California, and consisting of the following described personal property, to-wit:—

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